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AVERAGE DAILY CIRCULATION:
8,806

For the three dull summer months of 1894—an increase of over fifty per cent in one year.

OUR PROOF.
The issues of the TOPEKA DAILY STATE JOURNAL for the three months, viz., from the 1st day of June, 1894, to the 31st day of August, 1894, inclusive, have been as follows:

DAY	June	July	August
1	8,428	8,731	8,640
2	8,312	8,731	8,670
3	8,308	8,732	8,600
4	8,363	8,733	8,599
5	8,309	8,743	8,630
6	8,700	10,022	8,720
7	8,401	8,741	8,741
8	8,352	11,120	8,725
9	8,352	9,352	8,725
10	8,352	9,352	8,600
11	8,352	9,352	8,600
12	8,352	9,352	8,600
13	8,352	9,352	8,600
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26	8,352	9,352	8,600
27	8,352	9,352	8,600
28	8,352	9,352	8,600
29	8,352	9,352	8,600
30	8,352	9,352	8,600
31	8,352	9,352	8,600
Totals	222,508	241,178	221,095

*Sunday: 20 issues.
The total number of copies printed in the three months named above, 695,979, divided by 79, the number of issues, shows the average to be 8,806. This is a correct report of the issues of the TOPEKA DAILY STATE JOURNAL for the three months as stated.

(Signed) Frank P. MacLennan
Editor and Proprietor.
Sworn to and subscribed Sept. 11, 1894.
[SEAL] S. M. GARDNER, Clerk of the District Court, Shawnee County, Kansas.

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Weather Indications.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Forecast till 8 p. m. Wednesday—For Kansas: Fair; probably cooler Thursday afternoon; southeasterly winds, becoming north-westerly.

The Populist officials sold their chances of re-election for a Pullman pass.

JAPAN seems to have taken the initiative at last while China got the referendum.

The independent voter is the hope of the country—John James Ingalls to the contrary notwithstanding.

It would be interesting to know how much of Dr. McCassey's salary is left after he has bought everybody off.

The Rev. J. D. Botkin will be called worse names than "Old Crank Botkin" now. He is going to run for congress.

BLOWHOLES CARNEGIE still remains abroad. It is about as agreeable for him in this country as it is for Pullman at Chicago.

A TOPEKA man has written a song entitled "There Are No Silvers in Our Cellar Door." It ought to be popular; that is, the door.

"PHYSICAL RUSSION" is what they call pouncing the inmates in the Elmira reformatory, New York. This is a pointer for Dr. McCassey.

If there is anyone who detests the "pass business" it is the managers of the railroad companies themselves. They would like to wash their hands of it.

THE Democrats of Kansas pretend to have a real sure enough platform to stand on, but a Kansas Democrat never did have but one platform, and that is "I am a Democrat."

DR. McCASSEY must have all the attendants at the insane asylum under lock and key; none have been able to get into town lately to inform the JOURNAL of the goings on out there. But murder will out; it is too bad that Dr. McCassey won't.

SEAL William McKinley come to Topeka or shall he go to Hutchinson; that is the question. It wouldn't be any question at all if Secretary Bristol hadn't made it one. Topeka, the capital of the state, is the proper place to bring such a distinguished personage.

It has been discovered that the railroad commissioners also travel on passes in Kansas. What next—Girard World. The next thing, Mr. Steinberger, was the discovery that the state board of railroad assessors which reduced the assessment on Pullman coaches all have Pullman passes.

In addition to the large amount of wheat which is being consumed in this state for feeding purposes, the mills,

which have put in machinery, especially for converting wheat into feed, are building up a trade outside of the state. Iowa is a buyer. As long as wheat is cheaper than corn it will be utilized in this way. In the end this increased consumption must result in a rise in prices. There should be no hesitation about sowing wheat this fall on account of low prices. Next year's crop will pay.

Almost every prominent Republican in Kansas has now declared for the free coinage of American silver at the 16 to 1 ratio except Mr. Calderhead, candidate for congress in the Fifth district. Ex-Senator Ingalls, in his speech at Olathe Saturday, came out unequivocally on the side of the people. He said he was in favor of the free coinage of American silver at the ratio of 16 to 1 and that he believed that a good portion of the industrial difficulties that surround us, the depression of values, the loss of credit and the stagnation of business is due to the demonetization of silver. He further said that he didn't believe business would ever be restored until silver is replaced in the full exercise of its functions as a money metal.

While ex-Senator Ingalls advocates sending the colored people anywhere to get rid of them, and Col. John M. Brown talks about colonization in Brazil, the negroes themselves are quietly organizing and making arrangements to go to Liberia. The first cargo of 300 will leave Birmingham, Alabama, early in October for the "land of promise." The president of Liberia has promised to give every family of colored people coming from the United States, twenty acres of land and necessary implements for its cultivation. It looks as though the much vexed negro problem was in a fair way of solution.

KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

Mr. Lock is the sheriff of Riley county and no one else knows the combination. Wm. Ditto, who lives at Mt. Vernon, should have no trouble in making his mark.

The annual convention of the Fifth congressional district W. C. T. U., is in session at Clay Center.

There is a family named Winchip at Manhattan and poker players have a chill every time they hear the name pronounced.

A campaign musical club in the Sixth district is called the Beloit Seismic quartette. Their songs must be perfectly shocking.

The idea of college athletics that the trustees of Baker university hold are said by geologists to belong to the pre-Cambrian period.

Thieves have grown so bold in taking fat cattle about Ellsworth and Cawker City, that feeders expect them to demand the beef already roasted.

Max Hagall, a candidate for county clerk in Mitchell county, ought to have a bright and successful career in politics, whether he has all three parts or not.

A preacher at Sterling had his pocket picked the other day. Some people say the thief was found on the prairie starved to death.

A Cawker City woman who doesn't seem to appreciate the joys of wedded life, raises the town with yells of murder every time her husband gets the best of her in a quarrel.

Triplets, two girls and one boy, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Freitichy of Tipton last week, and the local southsayers think it a harbinger of victory for woman suffrage.

A printer in the Phillipsburg Dispatch office ran his first finger through a job press the other day and now he is just the same as if his office had put in typesetting machines.

It is to be hoped that the coincidence of the return of the boys to the Agricultural college and the report of increased trade by the Manhattan drug stores has no out of the way significance.

The Hoxie dramatic club that has been playing "The turn of the tide," is thinking of changing the name to "Return of the tide," in honor of a married couple just back from their tour.

Ervin L. Thorpe, A. B., A. M., LL. B., Ph. D., M. L., S. T. B., D. C. L., D. of Hartford, Conn., who has more earned titles than any man in the United States, is a graduate of Baker university, class of '77.

Manhattan Nationalist: The Waterbury watch which the Nationalist has been offering as a premium to any one who could tell us of some act of real service performed by John Davis during his two terms in congress has been won by Geo. Clark of the Junction City Republican. He says that Davis has had the right of way for the electric railway between Junction City and Ft. Riley extended.

SHE MADE TWO SPEECHES.

Dr. Brownfield Gallantly Offers His Platform to Miss Yates.

Miss Elizabeth U. Yates spoke to two open-air audiences last night—one of them at the state house steps and the other at Dr. Brownfield's entertainment on West Sixth street. There was a small attendance at the state house steps, the air being very chilly. The place of meeting was changed from the Lutheran church to the state house square at a late hour and many did not know of it. When Miss Yates heard the meeting was to be held at the church she vetoed this plan. "We will only get the elect there," said she, "and I would much prefer an outdoor meeting." At the close of Miss Yates' address the woman suffrage ladies expressed themselves as dissatisfied with the size of the crowd and they called a carriage and Miss Yates was driven to Dr. Brownfield's open-air entertainment on West Sixth street where an immense crowd was in attendance. The ladies told the doctor that they would like to use his pavilion, and he readily consented, first informing the audience that his show would conclude after Miss Yates had spoken. Miss Yates was introduced by Dr. Harding, and spoke for half an hour, and was frequently interrupted by applause. Miss Yates has an excellent voice, and made a good impression. She said she had offered \$1,000 for a new objection to woman suffrage. She said that the only attempt at a new objection was that women can not work out their road tax.

STEVENSON & COMPANY. Special.: Linen.: Sale

This week we are having our LINEN SALE. You all know what bargains we give you. WE WILL GIVE YOU VALUES never before heard of—not two or three pieces to pick from, but our whole stock, a special line purchased at Job Prices for your benefit.

33c
Will buy during this sale a heavy unbleached table linen, 50-inch wide, fully worth 40c. They are worth seeing at 33c.

49c
Here is a "Great Bargain." 58-inch [notice the width], all linen. It can't be matched for 60c. We will sell it at 49c.

63c
Here is another equally as cheap, in fact a little cheaper considering the width, 62-inch, and the quality, heavy Barnsley linen, worth 75c, this week 63c.

75c
Here is another fine Barnsley extra weight, 66-inch wide, would be cheap at 87½c. You can buy it during this sale for 75c.

79c
Here is one you must not fail to see. An extra fine Barnsley linen, full 66-inch. You paid \$1 for this goods last week;

93c
Our finest cream damask, 66-inch wide, well worth \$1.10, for 93c.

Table Sets.

10-4 cloth and 1 doz napkins, worth \$4, for \$3.

8-10 cloth and 1 doz napkins, cut from \$6.75 to \$3.50.

12-4 cloth and 1 doz napkins, worth \$6.75, reduced to \$3.50.

10-4 cloth and 1 doz napkins reduced from \$5.00 to \$4.25.

10-4 cloth and 1 doz napkins, worth \$6, now \$5.

10-4 cloth and 1 doz napkins reduced from \$7 to \$6.

Bleached Table Linen.
39c
Here is another "Job." 500 yards bleached linen damask, bought for a 50c linen; 39c will buy it during this sale.

49c
Another "Job." A little better 68-inch wide damask. This was bought for a 65c selling; we are going to sell it for 49c.

47c
Buys a 54-inch bleached linen damask, good quality, worth 60c, for 47c.

63c
Here surely is a "Bargain." A heavy bleached damask, 64-inch wide; you have paid 75c for the same quality and thought it cheap. Get an early look at this for 63c.

73c
Buys a good heavy bleached damask, 64-inch, cheap enough at \$1.

\$1.00
A fine bleached damask, 66-inch wide, handsome patterns. This grade usually sells for \$1.18 to \$1.20, sale price \$1.

\$1.25
An extra fine double damask, full 72-inch wide, very pretty designs. This was marked as a bargain at \$1.40. We are going to do still better, making it \$1.25 for this sale.

Hemstitch'd Sets.

9x10-4 cloth and 1 dozen napkins, reduced from \$7 to \$6.00.

8-10 cloth and 1 doz napkins, worth \$10, selling now for \$8.75.

9x10-4 cloth and 1 dozen napkins, reduced from \$10.50 to \$9.50.

Visit our store this week.

\$1.35
Will buy a 72-inch fine satin damask, our regular \$1.75 quality, and it is worth it. \$1.35 will buy it now. A limited amount of this on sale.

\$1.75
Will buy the finest double satin damask in our store or any other store in town, two yards wide. Our regular \$2 quality for \$1.75.

Turkey Red Damask

At 21c, 29c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c, \$1. These are all special values and well worth your attention.

Table Cloths.

We have received for this sale a very pretty line of fringed table cloth. We quote but a few prices.

An 8-4 table cloth, knotted fringe, in white and colored borders, worth \$1.87, for \$1.50; that worth \$2.25, for \$1.75.

10-4 worth \$2.25, for \$1.75

10-4 worth \$2.50, for \$2.20

10-4 knotted fringe with drawn work border worth \$3.25, for \$2.75, 12-4 worth \$3.75, for \$3.25.

Lunch Cloths.

A very handsome line of lunch cloths, fringed and hemstitched, at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50.

Tray Cloths.

Fringed and hemstitched at 45c, 50c, 55c, 65c, 75c.

Quilts.

75c
300 more of those crocheted quilts that you consider so cheap. 75c will be the price this week.

Napkins.

Our stock of napkins is full and overflowing and the prices were never as low. We guarantee the price on everything we sell.

1 Bleached Napkins at 75c, 85c, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.25, 3.50.

1 Bleached Napkins at \$2.00, 2.25, 2.50, 2.75, 3.00, 3.50, 3.75, 4.00, 4.25, 4.50, 4.75, 5.00.

1 Cream Napkins 58c, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.25, 2.50.

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Doylies.

Bleached—Round and Square at 65c, 75c, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00, 2.50.

Cream—Colored border, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00.

Bleached—Colored border, 75c, \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 2.00.

Towels.

We can show you more Towels just at present than all the other stores put together, and we can truthfully say that we have never seen better value than we are now offering.

Huck Towels
At 10c, 12½c, 15c, 16½c, 20c, 25c, 35c.

Damask Towels.
15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25.

We have just received 25 dozen more of those Belfast Cotton Towels, size 19x45, which will be sold for 12½c each.

Also 25 dozen Bleached Cotton Crepe Towels, size 18x43 (something new) will sell them this week for 10c.

Crashes.
All Linen Crash at 5c, 6½c, 8½c, 10c, 12½c, 15c, 16½c, 18c, 20c, 25c.

16 in. Cotton Twill Crash only 5c.

Stevenson & Co., Dry Goods, Carpets and Millinery.

TOPEKA MEN IN IT.

A Company To Develop the Wonderful Hill of Asphalt in Indian Territory.

A company is being organized in Topeka this week for the purpose of developing the asphalt fields near Daugherty in the Indian Territory and pushing its use for paving in the large cities of the United States. The head of the company will be Col. John T. Bradley who now has the contract for keeping the Topeka asphalt pavements in repair.

A Journal man asked him why the pavement is not kept in better repair.

"You see" he replied, "the city only allows \$100 a month for making repairs and we can not go over that. There are many places which need repairing badly, but I can do only what is directed to be done by the city engineer."

Mr. Bradley has his office window piled full of specimens of the asphalt just as it is taken from the mine. It is taken out in large pieces resembling black rock. It can easily be broken with a hammer and melts readily under the influence of heat. A few pieces were put in a pan and heated on a gasoline stove until they were thoroughly pulverized. It was then rolled into a ball and allowed to cool, when it became as firm as stone.

In the composition of the asphalt used in the pavements of Topeka, the company used more than half sand but with Col. Bradley's asphalt, no other substance is used and it is put down in its pure state. Col. Bradley says it is 17 per cent pure bitumen, while the Trinidad asphalt of which the Topeka pavements are made, is less than 15 per cent. Col. Bradley has a letter from City Engineer Kingman, who says that the asphalt has

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NORTH TOPEKA.

Items of Interest from the North Side of the River.

R. E. Haynes, of Perry, is visiting friends on this side.

The Rebekah degree of L. O. O. F. has arranged an entertainment for tomorrow evening.

Mrs. J. C. Watt has returned from Oklahoma and will remain here through the winter.

Mrs. Michael Swartz went east today to be absent some time. She will visit her daughters, one in Kansas City and one in St. Louis.

Peter Merritt's horse ran away yesterday for the third time with some unpleasant consequences. There was no serious damage, however.

The Junior League C. E. of the Kansas Avenue M. E. church held an entertainment last evening which received much praise. It was under the management of Miss Cora Cook.

The Good Literature reading circle held an interesting and well attended meeting at Mr. Skinner's last night. The circle will take up the study of Prof. Canfield's "Local Government" for the winter. "Machbeth" was the topic at last night's meeting.

A surprise on Will Shorey of Holman's

addition was planned and carried out successfully by Mrs. Shorey and his friends last evening. There was a large party present and the evening was spent very delightfully. The chief incidents were games and an elaborate luncheon.

Very few of the "prairie schooners" which are seen on the streets every day belong to people who are leaving Kansas. Those going south are nearly all from Nebraska. A large party of movers passed through this morning, bound northwest. They were from Texas, and were going to locate in Phillips county.

CURTIS-SCOTT.

A Joint Debate in Osage County Proposed Next Month.

Congressman Charles Curtis through Howell Jones, chairman of the congressional committee of this district, has issued a challenge to S. M. Scott, candidate for congress, to meet him in joint discussion in Osage county some